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The Honorable Jesse M. Furman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

> RE: <u>United States v. Michael Avenatti</u> 19 Cr. 374 (JMF)

Dear Judge Furman:

The defense respectfully seeks a 60-day adjournment of the sentencing proceeding in the above-captioned case and requests that the Court sentence Mr. Avenatti via videoconference. The Government objects to an adjournment, but does not object to a remote sentencing hearing.

A 60-day adjournment is necessary to afford the defense adequate time to prepare and obtain mitigation related to loss-amount arguments under Application Note 3(E)(i) to U.S.S.G. § 2B1.1 and 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a). The defense also anticipates pursuing variance-related arguments under 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(D) and requires additional time to obtain relevant records and data.

Respectfully Submitted,

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